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Commissioner for Patents

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Office Action dated November 12, 2003 finally rejecting claims 1-27.

- Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$330 for payment of the appeal fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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Enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time.

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